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COVID-19 cases multiply

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – In the town of South Hadley, COVID-19 is multiplying at an unprecedented rate.

Between Nov. 10 and Nov. 17, South Hadley reported 21 new confirmed cases and 29 new contact cases of the novel coronavirus.

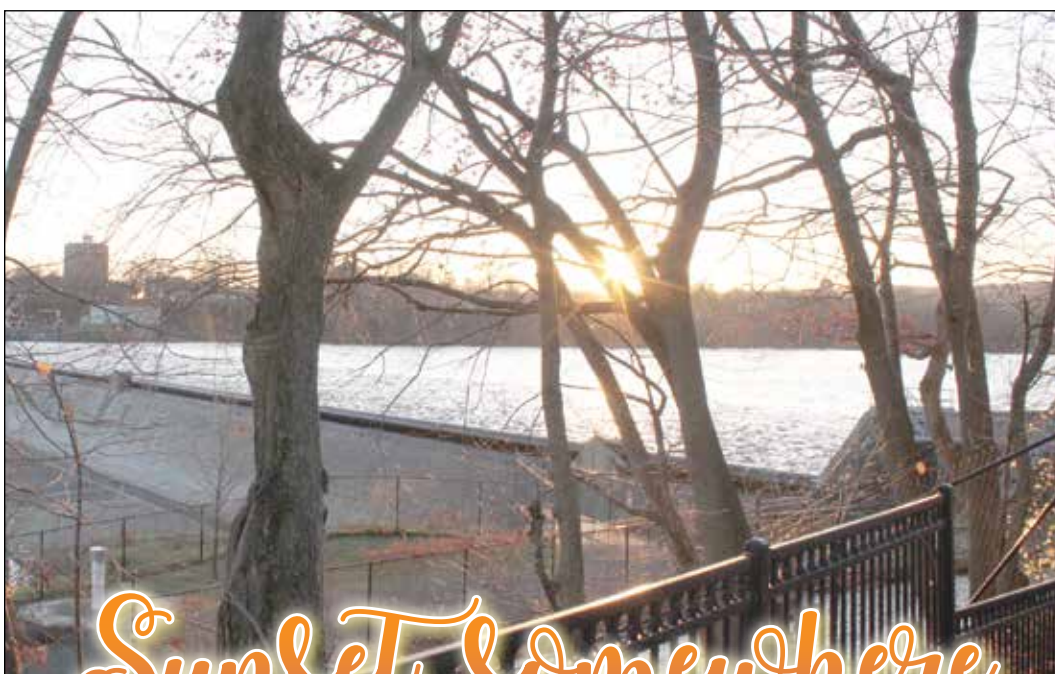
“This week, between contact and confirmed, there are 50 new cases. That blows away any record that we’ve ever had,” said Town Administrator Mike Sullivan on Nov. 18. “We’re obviously concerned about the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays with numbers spiking and a death last week.”

Since March, South Hadley has observed a total of 273 confirmed cases and 282 contact cases. On Oct. 20, one month ago, the tally stood at 225 confirmed cases and 225 contact cases.

With the arrival of winter, it is expected that the virus will continue to spread throughout the region. Offering his perspective, Sullivan shared a realistic prediction.

“We don’t think the surge is over. We might get a temporary respite one week between now and

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Sunset, somewhere

Photo by Dalton Zbierski

During a time of turmoil and uncertainty, a view of the Connecticut River at sunset from behind the South Hadley Public Library on Canal St. can offer a calming sense of peace.

Senior center staying afloat

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – The South Hadley Council on Aging has gone to great lengths to ensure the well-being of local seniors during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a second surge of the novel coronavirus enters the fold, COA staff members are doing all they can to keep

seniors both happy and safe.

“We’re doing our phone calls to our seniors. We have a list of about 190 folks that we’re calling just to say, ‘Hi,’ and check in. We feel that’s really helpful to folks, especially our folks who are homebound and don’t have family around them,” said COA Executive Director Leslie Hennessey.

The COA, temporarily lo-

cated at St. Theresa’s Parish on E. Parkview Dr., has been operating virtually since the pandemic arrived in western Massachusetts more than eight months ago. Curbside meal distribution initiatives still occur regularly, however, bringing smiles to the faces of dozens of seniors.

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Committee paving path for accessibility

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – The South Hadley Commission on Disabilities is celebrating its one-year anniversary today after being established on Nov. 20, 2019. The past 12 months have been unlike any others, but the committee’s sense of purpose remains as clear as it was on day one.

South Hadley Town Meeting members approved the five-member commission last November to aid municipal officials in fostering accessibility in town. The board strives to ensure that public buildings and functions comply with the regulations set forth by the Americans

with Disabilities Act.

“We advise and assist officials in town and make sure that they’re complying with federal and state disability laws,” said Chair Susan Dunderdale. “We look at policies and procedures, as to how they affect people with disabilities. For instance, if someone was hearing impaired and was listening to the town meeting, would he or she be able to access that?”

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the commission had its sights set on addressing Town Hall, an aging building that presents an array of obstacles to individuals with disabilities. The building has been closed to the public for the past eight months, however, forcing the commission

to shift its attention elsewhere.

“We decided that changing Town Hall can take a little bit of a backseat because we’re not accessing Town Hall right now. Of course, we want to keep it in mind going forward when we’re all able to engage again with our communities that some of these changes have to be made,” said Dunderdale, noting that the building must be equipped with ramps and better signage when it reopens.

Over the past year, the commission has studied town properties such as Ledges Golf Course, each public-school building, the transfer station and the recycling center. Dunderdale is quite ex-

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Photo by Dalton Zbierski

A crosswalk equipped for residents with disabilities was recently added to Newton St.

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Food Bank of Western Mass anticipates winter rush

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

HATFIELD – At all times of the year, the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts serves as an invaluable community resource. With temperatures plummeting and COVID-19 case counts rising on a regional scale, the Hatfield facility enters the winter prepared to play a more crucial role than it ever has before.

“It is a challenge, but we do have a warehouse full of food,” said Lillian Baulding, the Food Bank’s communications and engagement officer. “We have done a lot of pivoting since (the pandemic) started and are meeting the needs. The entire team has pitched in. A lot of people are doing work that they weren’t doing before. They’re taking on extra assignments, and it’s just getting done.”

The Food Bank distributes much needed food to member agencies spread throughout Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire counties. The facility is vital to the existence of the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Pantry on Carew St. in South Hadley.

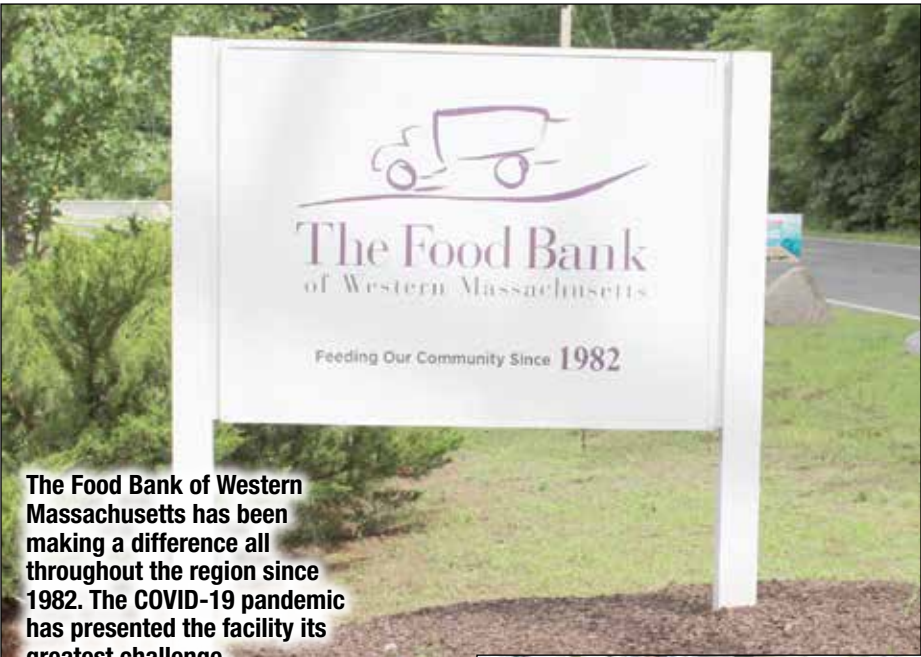
Established in 1982, the food bank serves dozens of independent pantries, meal sites, shelters and food assistance programs in western Massachusetts. The operation is a member of Feeding America, a national network of more than 200 food banks.

During the pandemic, the food bank’s demand has increased dramatically. Baulding detailed the added responsibility that the facility has assumed over the past eight months.

“We have seen an increase in the amount of people who have needed our services because of COVID,” said Baulding. “Many people have come in for the first time. They may have never thought that they’d ever need assistance from the Food Bank or a food pantry, but they do because of job losses.”



Brian Longto operates a piece of machinery inside the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts in Hatfield during the COVID-19 pandemic.



The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts has been making a difference all throughout the region since 1982. The COVID-19 pandemic has presented the facility its greatest challenge.

Baulding credited the community’s support for keeping the Food Bank alive and thriving during a challenging year. The massive 35,000 sq. ft. warehouse that employees 45 works and serves as the headquarters for the entire operation is currently abuzz with energy and productivity.

“People are working double time from the pickers who pick the food and put it together for our member agencies to the volunteers who are in our sorting room, who are actually putting boxes of food together. It’s really incredible,” said Baulding.

One of the greatest obstacles that the pandemic has placed before the food bank is a dwindling amount of food donations. COVID-19 protocols prohibit the facility from accepting most food donations from the public.

For residents looking to contribute, monetary donations are highly significant and much needed. Baulding noted that monetary donations have allowed the food bank to make up for absence of food donations that it had been previously accustomed to receiving.

“It’s critical because for every dollar donated, we can provide four full healthy meals,” said Baulding. “That means one individual could get four meals, and it’s not just one part of the meal; it’s the entire meal, or a family of four could have a dinner. It’s critical, particularly at this time where so many of our neighbors are out of work or maybe their hours have been cut dramatically.”

As temperatures continue to decrease, nutritious meals become more essential. On a regular basis, the Food Bank’s Mobile Food Bank visits 27 locations in western Mass., distributing healthy food items.

“We want to help people stay healthy and strong as they are going through this difficult time,” said Baulding.

On Nov. 23 and 24, the Food Bank will participate in Monte’s March, a 43-mile masked march that will begin in Springfield and finish in Greenfield, covering three counties. Monte Belmonte, a

radio personality for 93.9 WRSI, leads the annual initiative.

Those who participate in the march will push empty shopping carts along the entirety of the route to raise awareness about hunger in the region and funds to stop it in its tracks. This year, the fundraiser aims to raise \$365,000, the equivalent of 4,000 meals per day for an entire calendar year.

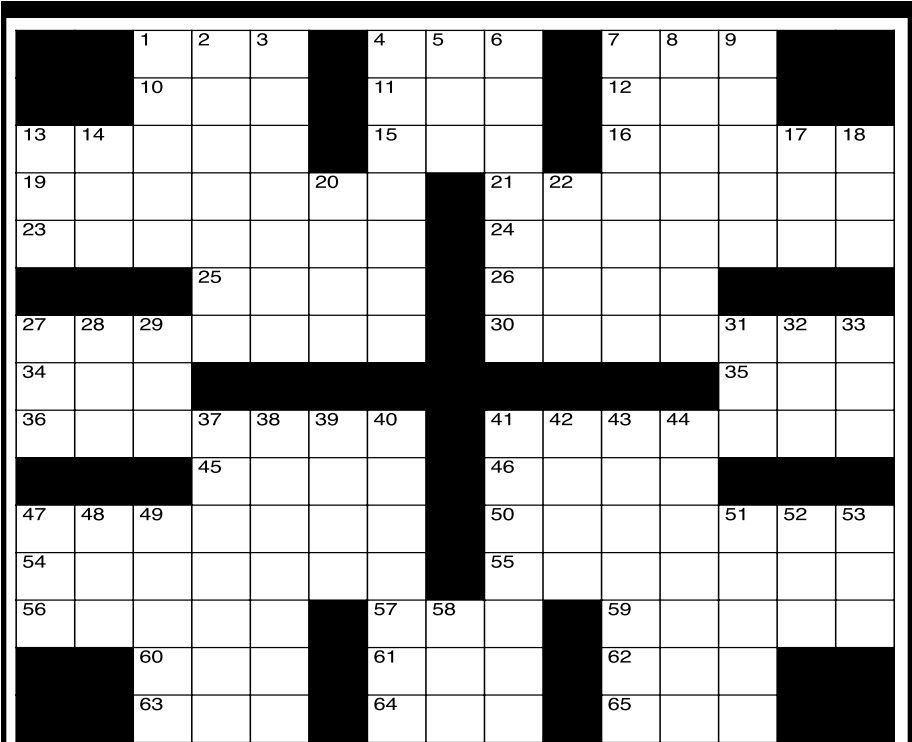
“We pivoted this year, and it’s going to work. It’s going to be on a smaller scale, and we’re asking people to donate what they can,” said Baulding. “If they can’t come out and march with us, perhaps, they can virtually march online or they can donate on those two days or online as well.”

To register for Monte’s March or donate to the Food Bank, one is encouraged to visit <https://www.foodbankwma.org/events/montes-march11/>.



Food Operations Manager Mike Cortis stands beside Communications and Engagement Officer Lillian Baulding inside the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts in Hatfield.

Photos by Dalton Zbierski



- CLUES ACROSS**
1. Autonomic nervous system
4. At or near the stern
7. Adenosine triphosphate
10. Polynesian garland of flowers
11. Chinese revolutionary
12. Green veggie
13. Large group
15. Swiss river
16. Semiaquatic mammal
19. Wrongdoers
21. Home to Disney World
23. Spanish doctors
24. Newborn child
25. Absence of difficulty
26. Large, stocky lizard
27. Earned top billing
30. A long wandering and eventful journey
34. Water (French)
35. Brew
36. Winged horse
41. A usually malignant tumor
45. Alfred __, American actor
46. Austrian river
47. A reminder of past events
50. Connected with
54. Status
55. Dean residence
56. Egyptian city
57. Boxing’s GOAT
59. Straits along the Red Sea
60. “The Partridge Family” actress Susan
61. Get some color
62. Facilitates hearing
63. Commercials
- CLUES DOWN**
1. Speak up
2. More informative
3. Where passengers sit
4. Gathered
5. Supervises flying
6. Home of the Blue Jays
7. Public statement of regret
8. Lockjaw
9. Indian city
13. Patriots’ Newton
14. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
17. Sun up in New York
18. Eggs in female fish
20. Stood up
22. NBA legend Willis
27. Calendar month (abbr.)
64. A team’s best pitcher
65. Patti Hearst’s captors
- CLUES ACROSS**
28. Exercise regimen __-bo
29. The 8th month (abbr.)
31. __ Paulo, city
32. Tall deciduous tree
33. Affirmative
37. Notified of danger
38. NFL game days
39. Archaic term for “to”
40. Plant pores
41. Canned fish
42. Phil __, former CIA
43. Connects with
44. Of the skull
47. Time zone (abbr.)
48. When you hope to get there
49. Hindu goddess
51. Land
52. Pitching stat
53. Field force unit
58. Lakers’ crosstown rivals

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Online scams could spike during holidays

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

MARLBOROUGH — Online shopping has become more prominent than ever during the COVID-19 pandemic, and scammers are itching for the chance to take advantage of unknowing consumers this holiday season.

For that very reason, the Better Business Bureau of Central New England is hard at work uncovering scams and spreading awareness in effort to prevent residents from being swindled. Nancy Cahalen, President of the BBB's Central New England office in Marlborough, shed light on the intricate and ever evolving world of online scamming.

"With the holidays approaching, it's time for people to do a lot of online shopping, and scams relating to online purchases were already on the rise in 2019," said Cahalen. "Since the pandemic began, they've spiked much higher. Scammers are taking ad-

vantage of the fact that people are doing a lot more shopping online and maybe aren't as savvy and familiar with it."

The BBB reports that 80.5% of consumers who have reported online scams in 2020 lost money. In 2019, only 24.3% of consumers who were scammed online lost money, a rising figure that Cahalen attributes to fear uncertainty and the "COVID affect."

Beginning in March and April, scammers jumped at the chance to cheat consumers attempting to purchase personal protective equipment online. As the season of giving approaches, and online shopping continues to become more commonplace, scammers have already begun an onslaught of cheating.

Hope still exists, however, as the BBB Scam Tracker is up and running. The investigative tool tracks all reported scams and alerts residents to their existence.

Since being launched in 2015, the Scam Tracker has enabled in-

depth studies of online purchase scams. The data that the BBB has compiled from victims has thwarted countless other scams.

"We ask people to report scams whether or not they lose money because we want to prevent other people from being scammed. The more information about scams that we can get out there, the better," said Cahalen.

When eying potential scams, unreasonably attractive sale prices are typically suspect. If an offer is too good to be true, it most likely is.

Additionally, individuals using debit cards or peer-to-peer payment options such as Venmo are more likely to be scammed and lose money than those who use credit cards. Cahalen explained a well-observed trend.

"When shopping online, we always recommend paying with a credit card because there's protection built in, and you can always refute the charge if it turns out that there is a scam. People

who use credit cards are less likely to lose money," she said.

Recently, scammers have developed false tracking information to throw off consumers awaiting their goods in the mail. By the time the irregularity is realized, the scammer is often out of reach, and money spent on the expected item is lost.

Scarcity also allows scammers to lie their way towards stealing money. Just as was observed with PPE during the early stages of the pandemic, scammers are primed to rip off individuals who are unable to find their desired goods anywhere else.

"Availability can be a motivating factor for those who lost money. A lot of things became scarce during COVID, but the holidays always have had scarce, popular items. There's scarcity always during the holiday season," said Cahalen.

Individuals perpetrating online scams rely on consumer

patterns. Pop-up advertisements observed on social media pages cannot always be trusted, said Cahalen, as scammers pay close attention to items that most searched for.

"Scammers have access to the same marketing tools that legitimate marketers do," said Cahalen. "They really understand how consumers make these decisions. They're very educated on this. It's not a slapdash approach. They're also using the same online social media adds that legitimate marketers use. It's sometimes hard to pick out the scams from the ones that aren't."

All individuals can become the victim of a scam, regardless of their age, sex or demographic. Studies show that people between age 35 and 44 are most at risk to lose money to an online purchase scam.

For more information concerning the maze that is online scamming, residents can visit bbb.org.

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cited about the new senior center that is under construction on Dayton St.

"We're anxious to get a tour of the new senior center because, hopefully, they're getting that right from the ground up," said Dunderdale.

Communicating with town officials is one of the commission's most essential responsibilities. A rapport has been formed with Building Inspector David Gardner, who allowed the commission to review blueprints for the PeoplesBank branch that is under construction on Newton St.

"We informed [Gardner] about our goals and responsibilities," said Dunderdale. "None of us are experts at blueprint reading but based on the standards that we had to look at, we looked at the building on paper and made suggestions for changes in terms of the codes and improved access."

One such recommendation was the addition of a power door opener to be placed at the bank's entrance. Dunderdale noted that the item will benefit both individuals with a disability and

those who are carrying packages or steering strollers.

Currently, the commission is developing a confidential disability survey to better understand how many South Hadley residents live with a disability and what the "general breakdown of those categories," are.

"We want to alert citizens that this will be coming. Hopefully, it will be online by the beginning of December," said Dunderdale.

She encouraged residents without a disability to be aware of obstacles that could prohibit access for individuals with disabilities, stating that, "If you see something, say something. People who are able-bodied don't move around their communities with an eye for that, but it's important to develop awareness."

Most importantly, Dunderdale implored residents to treat individuals with disabilities like ordinary citizens. In her opinion, individuals with a disability should not be held to a different standard simply because of their conditions.

"One thing I'd like to emphasize, and this is my perspective from living with a disability for 60 years of my life, is that we're all human beings," said Dunder-



Photo by Dalton Zbierski

In proximity to Berkshire Bank, the town of South Hadley recently added a crosswalk on Newton St. that can be easily accessed by individuals with disabilities.

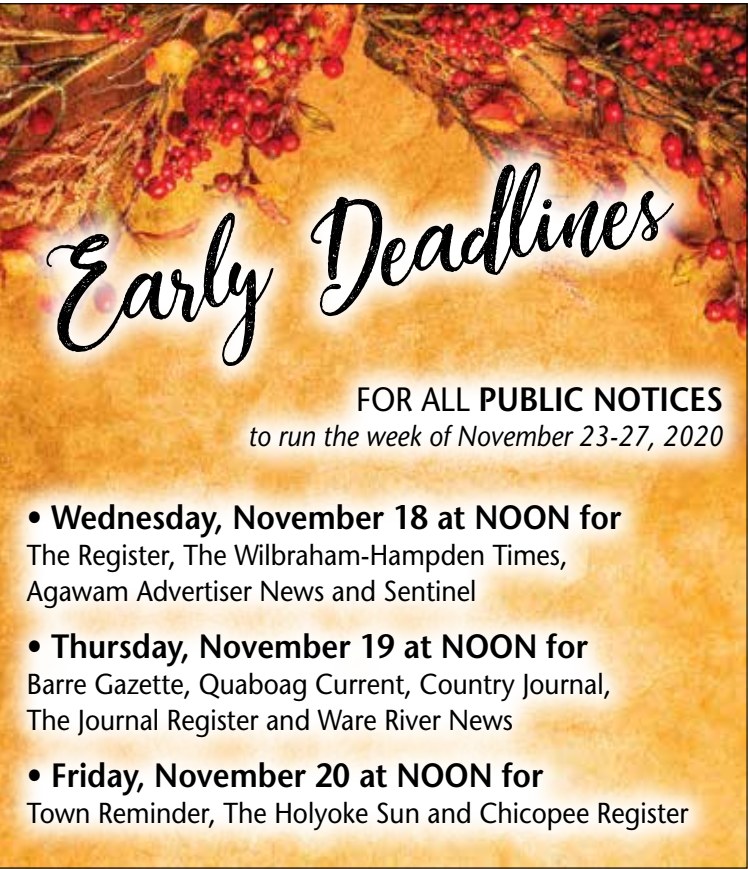
dale. "There are people in the media who like to portray people with disabilities as superheroes for overcoming a disability. Speaking for myself, I don't

think you overcome a disability. You live with it, and it lives with you."

More information about the commission can be found at

<https://www.southhadley.org>.

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- **Friday, November 20 at NOON** for Town Reminder, The Holyoke Sun and Chicopee Register

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the end of the holiday season but we expect that we haven't seen the last of it regionally and in South Hadley specifically," he said.

On Nov. 6, the Mass. Dept. of Public Health modified the parameters that must be met for a town to be listed as a "red," or high risk, community. To be designated in the "red," a community must now report an average daily incidence rate of eight cases per 100,000 residents.

Sullivan noted that South Hadley would certainly have been named as a "red" community under the previous metrics. Although repetitive, he pleaded with residents to follow the state mandates that were issued to curb the virus' spread.

"I think that the lives that will be saved may be the ones most dear to us," said Sullivan. "There's a lot of social media pushback that would suggest that this isn't real, but to those people,

who are refusing to believe the serious threat that this virus poses, I don't know what else to say. It's just a case where they're putting their own selves in danger."

While Sullivan is disappointed that a contingent of residents refuse to follow protocols, he isn't surprised. He compared the reckless act to that of speeding while operating a motor vehicle; multiple people are put at risk when a lone individual ignores CDC and DPH recommendations.

The upcoming holiday season could be difficult and lonely, but staying home is a small price to pay to remain healthy and survive long enough to celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas in 2021.

"It's chilling when you think about it. If we don't act accordingly, our loved ones might not be around next year," said Sullivan.

During a Nov. 12 press conference, Chicopee Mayor John Vieau announced that the city

is forming a task force to help coordinate the distribution of a COVID-19 vaccine. Sullivan scoffed at the notion that a similar development could unfold in South Hadley any time soon.

"It's absolutely too far off," said Sullivan. "I appreciate the zealotness of the mayor, but the reality is that healthcare workers are going to be and should be the first people protected with this vaccine. [Vaccines] not going to be administered by local health officials. We just don't have the equipment to keep the vaccine at 95 degrees [Fahrenheit] below zero. It's just not going to happen."

Moving forward, South Hadley residents are advised to stay home when possible, wear masks whenever in public and brace themselves for what is shaping up to be a long winter.

Statistics pertaining to COVID-19 activity in South Hadley can be located at <https://southhadley.org/1026/COVID-19-RESPONSE>.

GUEST COLUMN

In My Backyard

By Ellenor Downer

I received an email from a Hampden resident, who sent some photos of pine siskins. He said, “We have been seeing rather large flocks of these birds. They don’t come to the feeders, but are busy feeding in the grass.” Pine siskins are just one of many birds, which come to New England in large numbers during irruptive years.

The Winter Finch Forecast predicts what finch and other species such as pine siskins may irrupt into New England and parts south and west. An irruption is when northern birds move to or through an area in abnormally high numbers. For example, many years there were few or even no pine siskins. Other years there were many. Irruptions occur mainly due to food availability or lack thereof. If it is a bad crop year up north for a certain type of food, such as pinecone seeds, irruptions may occur as birds move in search of food sources. According to the finch forecast this will be a good year for purple finches and evening grosbeaks. It is also a year when pine siskins and red-breasted nuthatches are moving south in high numbers.

The pine siskin is about 5 inches long with brown streaked feathers. It has a long pointed bill and yellow on the wings and base of tail, which is clearly visible in flight. It forages on the ground and in foliage for conifer cone seeds, weed seeds, insects. It will come to feeders in large numbers for sunflower or thistle (Niger) seeds.

The female lays one to five light green-blue eggs with dark marks in a nest of grasses, twigs, rootlets, bark strips and lichens lined with feathers, fur and rootlets. Siskins build a nest placed on a tree branch three to 50 feet above the ground. There song is a mixture of twills and rapid warbles. The calls include “sweeet” and a buzzy sounding “zrreeeee.”

I saw a large flock of small birds fly up from Wright Memorial Ball field in Oakham last week while I was in the town hall parking lot. I wonder if they were pine siskins. I have not seen any in my yard yet, but I will put out Niger seeds this week in anticipation of pine siskins or purple finches.

Baltimore oriole

I received an email from an Oakham resident, who had either a female or immature Baltimore oriole at her feeder. Usually, Baltimore orioles begin migrating south early.

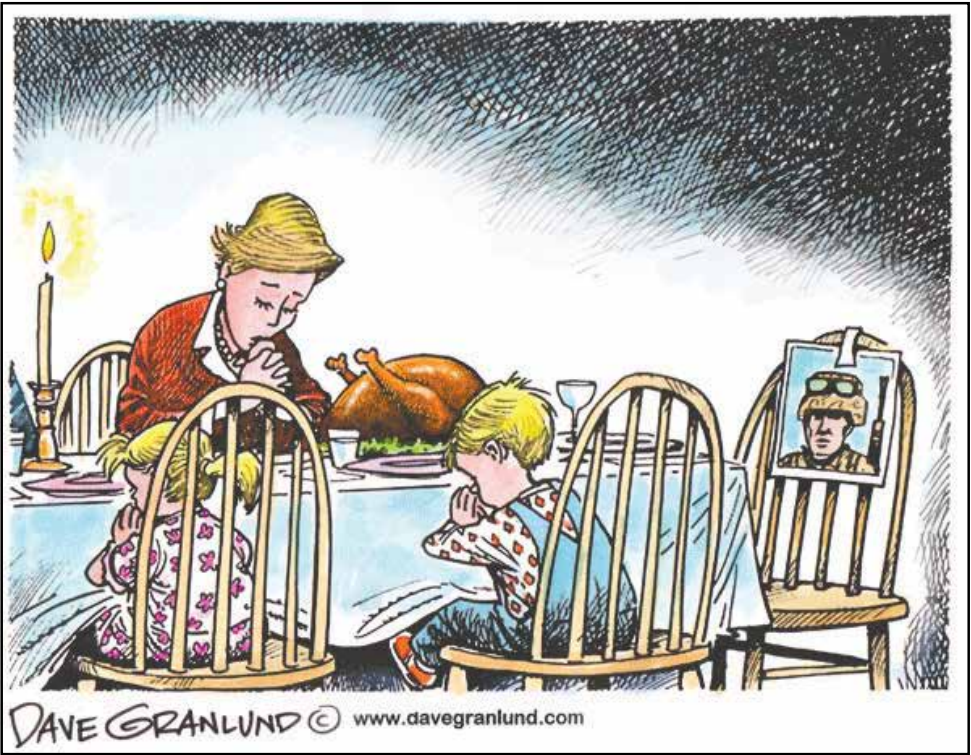
Other birds

Two weeks ago, I saw a house wren. Last week, I saw two of them. I hear Canada geese honking from a beaver pond across the street from my house. I also saw a large flock of Canada geese in a harvested cornfield.

Birds in Sutton

My brother and family live in Sutton. They have a small pond that abuts there land. My brother likes to fish from his canoe and as of last week was still seeing a great blue heron and belted kingfisher. He said Canada geese are also stopping at the pond.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100 or emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com.



GUEST COLUMN

Can you celebrate Thanksgiving safely during COVID-19?

Top doctors weigh in

Staff report

SPRINGFIELD – Think again before you send out those Thanksgiving invites this year.

COVID-19 has so far put a damper on many of our national holidays including Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, and now Thanksgiving – one of the few days of the year when families are surrounded by so many loved ones and friends under one roof.

Health experts – from Dr. Anthony Fauci, the nation’s leading infectious disease expert, to Dr. Mark A. Keroack, president and CEO of Baystate Health who trained in infectious diseases and was on the front lines of the AIDS epidemic in Boston – are sounding the alarm about gathering together for Thanksgiving at a time when the country is seeing record-setting COVID-19 cases sweeping the nation.

The big message from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for Thanksgiving is to avoid travel, large gatherings, and limiting your alcohol intake, which could cloud your judgement in protecting yourself and others from COVID-19.

Just about everyone has heard the old saying: “Mother knows best.” Well, in the case of Thanksgiving this year, it is “Dr. Fauci knows best” and noted his holiday “is going to look very different this year.”

“I think given the fluid and dynamic nature of what’s going on right now in the spread and the uptick of infections, I think people should be very careful and prudent about social gathering, particularly when members of the family might be at a risk because of their age or their underlying condition. Namely, you may have to bite the bullet and sacrifice that social gathering unless you’re pretty certain that people that you are dealing with are not infected,” Dr. Fauci told Norah O’Donnell in an interview with “CBS Evening News.”

Fauci, 79, whose age puts him at high risk for contracting the virus, noted he would love to have his three children home for Thanksgiving. However, they live in three different states and would have to fly home and use public transportation.

“When you’re talking about relatives that are getting on a plane, being exposed in an airport, being exposed in a plane, then walk in the door and say ‘Happy Thanksgiving’ – that you have to be careful about,” he told O’Donnell.

Dr. Keroack agrees with Dr. Fauci and noted he is “mindful that the safest thing to do is to have no event or a virtual event.” He offers seven steps to consider “if you decide that the party must go on:”

Make a plan how you are going to keep everyone safe.

You and those who will be attending the holiday feast should avoid as much contact with others as possible 1-2 weeks before the big day. Partying the Saturday before Thanksgiving can put the holiday gathering at risk. Consider asking everyone, including yourself, to get tested beforehand (within a few days of the event).

Consider the amount of virus where the event is being held (red/yellow/green) and also where your guests are coming from.

Think about the location. Outside is better than inside, but the colder weather has arrived and it’s not practical to eat outdoors now. When inside, big rooms should be chosen over smaller ones, and consider ventilating the room by cracking a window(s) open. It is well-known that improving ventilation significantly lowers the amount of time respiratory droplets stay airborne.

Think about the people who will be attending. How many? Fewer is better. Are any at high risk such as those who are elderly, obese, and who have diabetes or high blood pressure? Remind people with symptoms that they should stay home (cough, fever, sniffles, etc.).

Think about the event itself. How long will it go (shorter is better)? Loud talking or singing can spread virus more effectively. Food service – don’t have a buffet, instead one server wearing gloves should plate the meals for everyone and fill any requests for seconds.

Looking back at #1 and your plan, how do you know you will stick to the plan? Think of the important role you play as the host and protector of your guests.....similar to a “designated driver.”

Still another factor to consider – what about those college students coming home for the holiday?

“We know that many colleges and universities have been hot spots during the fall semester. It is entirely possible that your son or daughter may bring home the coronavirus, many unknowingly since younger people are more likely to be asymptomatic or mildly symptomatic,” said Dr. Armando Paez, chief, Infectious Disease Division, Baystate Medical Center.

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A QUOTE

of NOTE

“ We don’t think the surge is over. We might get a temporary respite one week between now and the end of the holiday season but we expect that we haven’t seen the last of it regionally and in South Hadley specifically. ”

said South Hadley Town Administrator Mike Sullivan in the story “South Hadley COVID-19 cases multiply.”

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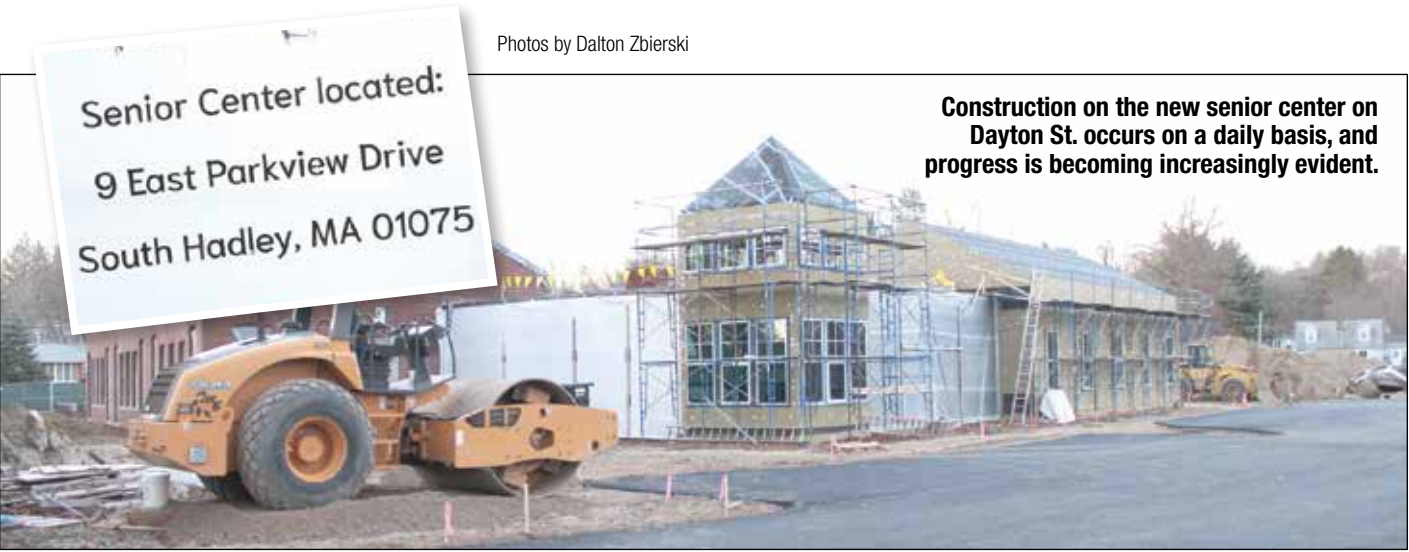


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Last Tuesday, a day prior to Veterans’ Day, senior veterans were honored during a curbside initiative by numerous veterans’ services organizations.

On Nov. 24, the Friends of the South Hadley Senior Center will coordinate a Thanksgiving meal distribution at the Orchards Golf Club on Silverwood Terrace. Hennessey is excited to attend.

“It doesn’t replace being with your family or loved ones, but our folks who are homebound will be able to have a nice, hot meal on Thanksgiving Day,” said Hennessey, also thanking Knights of Columbus 1721 South Hadley for contributing to the initiative in conjunction with the COA’s Meals-on-Wheels program.

For homebound seniors, fighting isolation is always a challenge. In a year defined by stay-at-home orders, loneliness is spiking amongst a larger percentage of the town’s senior population.

“We’re definitely seeing and hearing an increase of people feeling isolated and lonely, more so now than we had before,” said Hennessey. “The summer was almost like a short respite from what we went through in the spring with the shutdowns and quarantine. It was warm and sunny and light outside until 8 p.m. Now, we’re going into a time where it’s getting dark at 4:30 p.m., and the typical winter blues that people experience, we’re finding that they’re increasing.”

Seniors can take solace knowing that construction on the new senior center on Dayton St. continues to progress. Windows were recently added to the building,



Windows have been added to the new senior center on Dayton St., which is expected to be completed in the spring.

and enthusiastic residents have kept Hennessey’s phone busy with status updates.

“That is our bright spot. Our seniors are calling us and letting us know how the construction is going. As we go forward, it’s just getting closer and closer to being completed. Every time I see it now there have been changes to it so that’s really exciting,” said Hennessey.

On another note, it is still expected that the facility will be completed by April 2021. The upcoming winter may prove to be turbulent, but Hennessey finds comfort knowing that South Hadley seniors will soon have a new home.

“Even myself, if I need a little pick-me-up, I’ll drive by and see how the construction is going. It’s very exciting to see it coming together. It’s going to be

our future,” she said. “We’re going to get through COVID-19, we’ll come out of it and we’re going to have a beautiful building to go into. I think that we’ll all appreciate it much more. People have waited a long time, but I think it will really be appreciated when you can walk in and enjoy all of it. It’s exciting.”

COVID-19 testing at HCC extended until Jan. 15

HOLYOKE — Free COVID-19 testing at Holyoke Community College has been extended until Jan. 15.

HCC has been serving as a “Stop the Spread” drive-through testing site since Aug. 26 to help the state and the City of Holyoke reduce the spread of COVID-19. After two previous extensions, testing was set to end on Oct. 31. It will now run through mid-January. Tests are being conducted outside HCC’s Bartley Center for Athletics and Recreation and administered by Fallon Ambulance in partnership with the Holyoke Board of Health and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Testing is available six days a week during the following hours:

- Monday, 7 to 11 a.m.
- Tuesday, 2 to 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, 7 to 11 a.m.
- Thursday, 2 to 7 p.m.
- Friday, 7 to 11 a.m.
- Saturday, 7 to 11 a.m.

Testing are conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis. There are no appointments, and there is no cost for the tests and no referral is required.

Please enter campus from Homestead Avenue and follow the signs to M Lot (adjacent the Bartley Center), where in-car tests are being administered.

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‘For the community’

By Melina Bourdeau
Staff writer

GRANBY – Much like many of the events in 2020, the annual Veterans Day dinner hosted by the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church changed from an indoor event to a drive-through one. However, the event served 250 members of the community on Sunday.

The funding raised from the event helps to go towards maintenance of the church and projects or upgrades.

Volunteer Jeffrey Lussier said the events, like many hosted by the church are “for the community.”



Volunteers at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Granby served 250 dinners in the drive-through dinner on Sunday.



As cars drove through the parking lot of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Granby, volunteers prepared to-go meals.



A pork roast dinner, mashed potatoes, squash and a dessert were included in the Veterans Day dinner hosted by the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Granby last weekend.

Photos by Melina Bourdeau

Troop hosting can drive

GRANBY - Boy Scout Troop 306 is holding a can and bottle drive which can include plastic water bottles on Saturday, Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Common St. at the Common in the center of Granby.

Gather up all those unwanted cans and bottles and bring them by and help the Scouts raise money to help make their scouting experience more meaningful.

For more information on the can and bottle drive, call Jack Marcy, Troop 306 at 413-467-9891.

Quabbin photo group meeting

BELCHERTOWN – The Quabbin photo group will host a program by Mark Bowie: “Moonlit, the art of photographing by moonlight” on Nov. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

Beautiful... otherworldly... moonlight on the landscape opens profound creative possibilities for night photographers. It provides fill light, outline details and adds ambience and mystery.

This multimedia presentation features still images, time-lapse sequences, audio and video, accompanied by inspired narration. It’s an in-depth exploration of a largely-disregarded facet of night photography – shooting under all phases of the moon.

Learn the technical details of calculating exposure, achieving critical focus, shooting time intervals, and much more. And learn to see the creative possibilities of photographing the moonlit landscape.

All our meetings are currently being held via Zoom. All meetings of the Quabbin photo group are free of charge. If you would like to join the meeting, contact Gail Platz at: gspqpg@gmail.com

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“They should be tested upon arriving home and quarantine until receiving their test results, as hard as that may be on everyone,” he added.

A look at the CDC’s recommendations – in order of risk – to celebrate the holiday include:

Lower Risk:

- A small dinner with people in your household

- A virtual dinner with family and friends
- Watching sports events and parades at home – even the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade is going virtual this year.
- Moderate Risk Activities
- A small outdoor dinner with family and friends who live in your community
- Small outdoor sports events with safety precaution in place

Higher Risk Activities

- Attending large indoor gatherings with people from outside of your household
 - Using drugs or alcohol which can cloud your judgement and result in risky behaviors when it comes to protecting yourself and others from COVID-19.
- And, retailers may not be happy with this assessment, but the CDC also recommends not going shopping in crowded stores just before, on, or after

Thanksgiving, in other words – “Black Friday.”

Whatever way people choose to celebrate Thanksgiving, Dr. Paez reminds everyone to follow some commonsense safety precautions that public health experts have been recommending since the start of the pandemic to keep you and others safe from COVID-19:

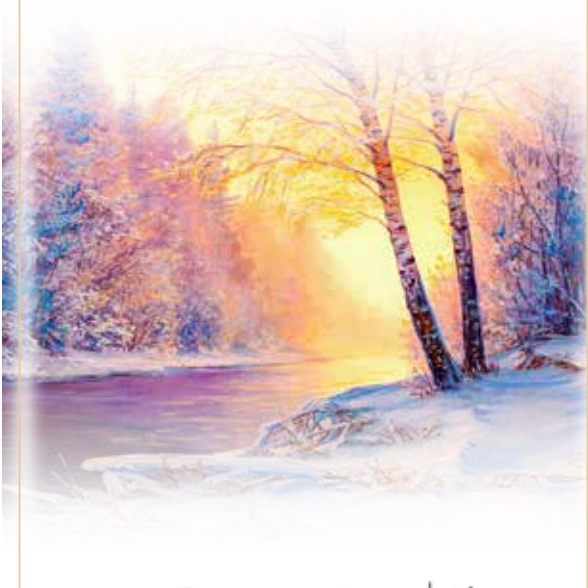
- Wear a mask
- Social distance staying at least 6 feet apart from anyone

not in your household

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer (with at least 60% alcohol)
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In the Classroom

COLLEGE NOTES

Granby student named to New York Tech Presidential Honor List

OLD WESTBURY, NY – Tyler Simoneau of Granby was named to the Spring 2020 Presidential Honor List at New York Institute of Technology. Simoneau was one of more than 1,500 students to be honored. To qualify for the Presidential Honor List, a student must achieve a minimum semester GPA of 3.7 and complete at least 12 credit hours without any incomplete grades.

Thy Ton-Morrison inducted into the honor society of Phi Kappa Phi

BATON ROUGE, LA – Thy Ton-Morrison of Granby, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation’s oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Ton-Morrison was initiated at MCPHS University.

Ton-Morrison is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann who had a desire to create a different kind of honor society: one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Today, the Society has chapters on more than 325 campuses in the United States and the Philippines. Its mission is “To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others.”

Massachusetts Bankers Assoc. scholarship foundation grants

BOSTON – The Massachusetts Bankers Association Scholarship Foundation has awarded five \$2,500 college scholarships to graduating high school seniors of eligible bank employees as well as two “Honorable Mention” awards for outstanding essays.

The MBA Scholarship Foundation Awards are available to entering-college freshmen who are the children of MBA-member bank employees. The foundation reviewed more than 45 applications and chose five recipients, instead of the usual four, to receive the \$2,500 awards. In addition to submitting G.P.A., SAT, ACT scores, and extra-curricular activities, the entrants were also required to write an essay discussing their recommendations for banks to attract and retain young customers.

The South Hadley recipient was Hailey Werenski, child of Jacqueline Charron and a student at Northeastern University.

The Massachusetts Bankers Association represents approximately 135 commercial, savings, co-operative banks and federal savings banks and savings and loan associations, with approximately \$380 billion in local assets, 72,000 employees in Massachusetts and New England, over 2000 banking locations, more than 4500 ATMs, and donate more than \$105 million annually to social agencies and charitable organizations across the Commonwealth.

Springfield Garden Club hosts holiday design demonstration

SPRINGFIELD – The Springfield Garden Club will host “Floral Expressions” presented by Matt Flatow of Flowers! Flowers! on Friday, Nov. 30 at 11:30 a.m. The event will be virtual and will be accessible via Zoom.

Matt Flatow, floral designer for “Flowers, Flowers” in Springfield, will demonstrate floral designs to inspire viewers to transform their homes into holiday wonderlands.

He will present new techniques, tricks, materials, and designs and the resulting arrangements will be auctioned off.

Flatow has designed for many events in the Springfield area including interpretations each year at the Festival of Flowers at the Springfield Museums and arrangements for the Springfield Symphony Orchestra opening galas.

While the demonstration is not open to the public, the designs will be created in the Carriage House at the Barney Estate and will be available for viewing in real time via Zoom. Tickets for guests are \$5 and are available at EventBrite.com.

For more information on this and other Springfield Garden Club events go to www.gcfm.org/springfieldgardenclub or visit them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldMAGardenClub/>

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Orioles battle to scoreless draw with Tigers



Molly Menard guides the ball with pressure coming.

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

BELCHERTOWN — South Hadley junior Kaitlyn Lynes and Belchertown senior Abigail Rothstein are the starting goalies for their respective field hockey teams. They were inspired to play the position by one of their parents.

Lynes and Rothstein each made five saves in the first meeting of the season between two teams, which ended in a 0-0 draw under the lights at Belchertown High School on Friday, Nov. 6.

It was Lynes second shutout of the season. She was credited with six saves in a 1-0 shutout victory at Amherst on Oct. 23. The Lady Tigers play their home matches on a turf field and the two shutouts by Lynes were on grass fields.

“It’s always more difficult playing on grass because we normally play our games on a turf field,” Lynes said. “We tried to do our best in tonight’s game.”

Lynes started playing goalie six years ago after talking with her father (Ken), who coached field hockey at Franklin Tech, about it.

“I used to be a soccer goalie,” Lynes said. “I decided to become a field hockey goalie after talking with my father and it has

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Maddie Foley takes a shot.

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Kate Carleton winds up for a free hit.



Ashley Scott changes the direction of play.



Goalie Daniel Gauvin makes a save on a penalty kick.

Rams fall to Tigers in final game



Liam Brown eyes the South Hadley goal as he moves up the field.



Tyler Sudsbury makes a pass up the field.



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Jonathan Santiago is pressured while still possessing the ball.

GRANBY – The Granby High School boys soccer season was cut short due to COVID-related issues. Their final game was on Oct. 28, when the Rams were defeated 4-1. Steven Torres had the lone goal for Granby while goalie Daniel Gauvin made 12 saves.

Fall season ends for high school teams

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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REGION – The Massachusetts High School fall season wraps up at the end of the week, it could be largely seen as a massive success as many teams were able to play in athletic contests for the first time in more than six months.

High school athletics were forced to shut down indefinitely following the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic. For Massachusetts, it occurred during the semifinals of the state basketball tournament and all state semifinal winners were considered co-champions and the state championship games were not played.

Following that, spring sports were delayed a few times, before sports and school overall, were called off for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year, leaving spring athletes graduating with no final season.

With the pandemic still ongoing, but numbers of positive tests dropping to nearly 0.8 percent, high school

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Public Safety

South Hadley Police Log

Compiled by Melina Bourdeau
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Editor's note: The following are brief explanations of select entries in the South Hadley Police log and arrests for the week of Oct. 19 to Nov. 1. The information was provided by Chief Jennifer Gundersen based on review of the detailed log summary. This feature is designed to provide context and explanation to some of the calls police respond to every day. Mass General Law prohibits the release of names of those arrested for domestic incidents.

Monday, Oct. 19

120:01 p.m. – A caller reported a scam involving a scammer claiming to be part of the “social security department” informed them that there was a warrant for their arrest in El Paso, TX. The caller said they were told they could buy gift cards to clear their name. A report is on file.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

8:27 a.m. – A caller reported an elderly person wandered away from home. The party was found shortly after returned home.

8:54 a.m. – An Amherst Rd. resident reported there was some jewelry was missing after a moving company was at their home. The moving company was contacted. The necklace was recovered by one of the employees and returned to the homeowner. The homeowner did not wish to pursue charges.

Thursday, Oct. 22

11:03 a.m. – A resident on Bunker Hill St. reported their car was stolen car. The car was later recovered into Hartford CT returned to the owner. There are no known suspects at this time.

1:59 p.m. – A North Main St. resident reported their political signs were stolen. There are no suspects at this time.

2:20 p.m. – A Brainerd St. resident reported a political sign was stolen from their front yard. There are no suspects at this time.

4:32 p.m. – A Lamb St. resident reported being bitten by an unknown dog earlier in the day. The resident said they were out walking their dog when another dog attacked them. The attacking dog was located and a referral was made to animal control. Minor injuries were reported.

Friday, Oct. 23

10:22 a.m. – A Bridge St. resident reported their husband missing as of Oct. 21 and was subsequently located.

10:36 a.m. – A Spring St. resident returned to their residence to find their apartment was broken into. Damage was reported. An officer performed an investigation and found two suspects who will be summonsed on charges of breaking and entering in the nighttime for a felony and malicious destruction of property over \$1,200.

Sunday, Oct. 25

2:12 a.m. – Daniel Droham, 24, of 47 Alvord Pl., South Hadley, was charged with operating under influence of alcohol and speeding. An officer on patrol on Lathrop saw a vehicle speeding. The officer stopped the vehicle and while interacting with the driver made observations that lead them to believe the operator was under the influence of alcohol. A field sobriety test was administered and at the conclusion of the test, the operator was placed under arrested. They were arraigned in Eastern Hampshire District Court on Oct. 26.

10:48 a.m. –A Brainerd St. resident reported their mailbox was vandalized. There are no known suspects.

2:19 p.m. – Officers responded to Lamb St. at an abandoned building after receiving a report of four youths making entry into the building. Officers were able to identify the four involved parties and expect them to be summonsed to Franklin Hampshire juvenile court for trespassing and breaking and entering for a misdemeanor.

Monday, Oct. 26

9:38 a.m. – Officers took a report of a leaf blower that was stolen from the bed of a truck overnight. There are no suspects at this at this time.

12:08 p.m. – Officers took a report of two shoplifters from Big Y on Willimansett St. The matter is an ongoing investigation.

5:27 p.m. –A resident of Riverboat Village reported a Nintendo Switch was stolen. It was last seen about two to three weeks priors. There are no known suspects at this time.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

4:42 p.m. – Alexis Colon-Kuilan, 25, of 18 Quirk Ave, Holyoke, was arrested on charges of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, number plate violation and no inspection sticker. An officer was on patrol in the area of the Vietnam Veterans Bridge when the officer observed a vehicle with no front license plate. The operator was identified and charged accordingly.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

8:51 p.m. – An Amherst resident reported while driving through town their 13-year-old child exited the vehicle after an argument. They fled on foot. The child eventually made their way home in Amherst.

Thursday, Oct. 29

12:44 p.m. – Officers took a report that a person took a package off the porch of the caller’s neighbor’s house. Officers followed up with the neighbor who indicated that the package delivered but was not at the house upon their arrival home. The suspect was described as wearing black hooded sweatshirt, grey sweatpants and had a royal blue umbrella. There is no further information at this time.

1:55 p.m. – 984OF – reports while travelling up wright place walking his dog when two dogs ran out from a yard

an began attacking his dog. In process of trying to separate the individual was bit. All referred to animal control officer.

4:45 p.m. – 987-OF Abbey St. resident reported vandalism allegedly saw male subject outside of him went outside noticed it was vandalized in from of graffiti, subject ran away. Unable to locate in the area. Ongoing investigation.

7:45 p.m. –Officers responded to an Abbey St. address after a resident reported being assaulted. The caller had several cuts on their person. The resident was treated at Holyoke Hospital. The matter is under investigation.

Saturday, Oct. 31

7:33 a.m. –A Susan Ave resident reported seeing footprints in the backyard of their residence. Some of the footprints lead to a hatchway. It was obvious someone was going through their backyard. The matter is an ongoing investigation. There are no suspects at this time.

Sunday, Nov. 1

2:33 p.m. –A resident reported while they were away from their home, someone broke into their apartment. Nothing was stolen, but items were out of place. There are no suspects at this time. The matter is an ongoing investigation.

Granby Police

Editor's Note: The Granby Police Department responded to 164 calls for the week of Oct. 23 through Oct. 29. Those arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. All information is provided by the Granby Police Department.

Saturday, Oct. 24

6:17 p.m. – Officers responded to a report of large group people riding horses on Rt. 202 causing traffic. Riders were assisted off roadway and arranged trailers to pick up the horses.

6:48 p.m. – Officers investigate motor vehicle accident on High St. The operator drove off the roadway and caused property damage.

Monday, Oct. 26

10:59 a.m. – Officers investigated a report of identity theft. The incident is still under investigation.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

5:55 p.m. – Officers investigated a report of theft from a motor vehicle. Parts were removed from the exhaust.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

3:17 p.m. – Officers investigated a motor vehicle accident on Pleasant St. The vehicle was damaged after hitting a deer.

Thursday, Oct. 29

2:09 a.m. – Officers responded to a report of a noise complaint at Motel. The involved parties were spoken to and advised them need leave.

11:50 a.m. – Officers investigated a report of identity theft. The incident is still under investigation.

2:16 p.m. – Officers investigated a motor vehicle accident on West State St. The operator drove off the roadway and struck a utility pole.

4:44 p.m. – Officers investigated a report of shoplifting at CVS.

South Hadley Police Department participates in Home Base No Shave Campaign

SOUTH HADLEY – As the nation continues to grapple with COVID-19, there is growing concern that the mental health impact from COVID may be the next pandemic. Increased stress and anxiety, combined with existing mental health injuries, can have deadly results—particularly for veterans.

With reports of military suicides increasing by as much as 20% in 2020, local first responders are raising awareness about the mental health crisis by participating in the Home Base No Shave campaign in support of Home Base, a Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital Program.

Police officers from South Hadley have pledged a \$100 donation to either forego the traditional grooming policy and grow beards and mustaches or wear special Home Base No Shave neck gaiter or face mask throughout the month of November. As of Nov. 11, the department has raised \$645 of its \$2,500 goal.

Thanks to the support of police officers and others from across a grateful nation, Home Base is able to provide world class clinical care at no cost to veterans and military families impacted by the invisible wounds.

The movement is spearheaded by MBTA Transit Police and Boston Gang Unit Detective Kurt Power, a U.S. Army Veteran and Purple Heart recipient who sought care for his own invisible wounds at Home Base.

“The only wish I have is that we give the gift of hope, hope to all the veterans that don’t believe reintegration is possible. Hope to the approximately 20 veterans a day that may give up tomorrow,” Power says. “If I can convince just one person who needs help to listen to me and put their trust in the treatment at Home Base, this will all be worth it.”

This month, first responders at South Hadley Police Department will go beyond the badge to not only help raise money for a program that is changing the lives of veterans and their families, but to evoke conversation, raise awareness and break the stigma associated with getting care.

“I think the biggest part about this campaign is the demonstration of support by communities from across New England and the country,” said Home Base Executive Director Brigadier General (USA ret.) Jack Hammond. “It goes well beyond ‘thank you for your service’ – it’s something tangible people are doing to show them that they care. At Home Base, we offer some of the best care in the United States, so with all of these departments reaching out into these communities, they are bound to know someone who needs help and connect them to us. Every time they do that, they are saving a life.”

To date, the Home Base No Shave campaign, benefiting Home Base, has raised \$800,000 and engaged more than 2,500 first responders and supporters from over 136 towns across the country. South Hadley Police Department has a goal to make an impact and are asking community members, business owners and family members to join the cause and donate to their page at <https://because.massgeneral.org/fundraiser/2976273>.

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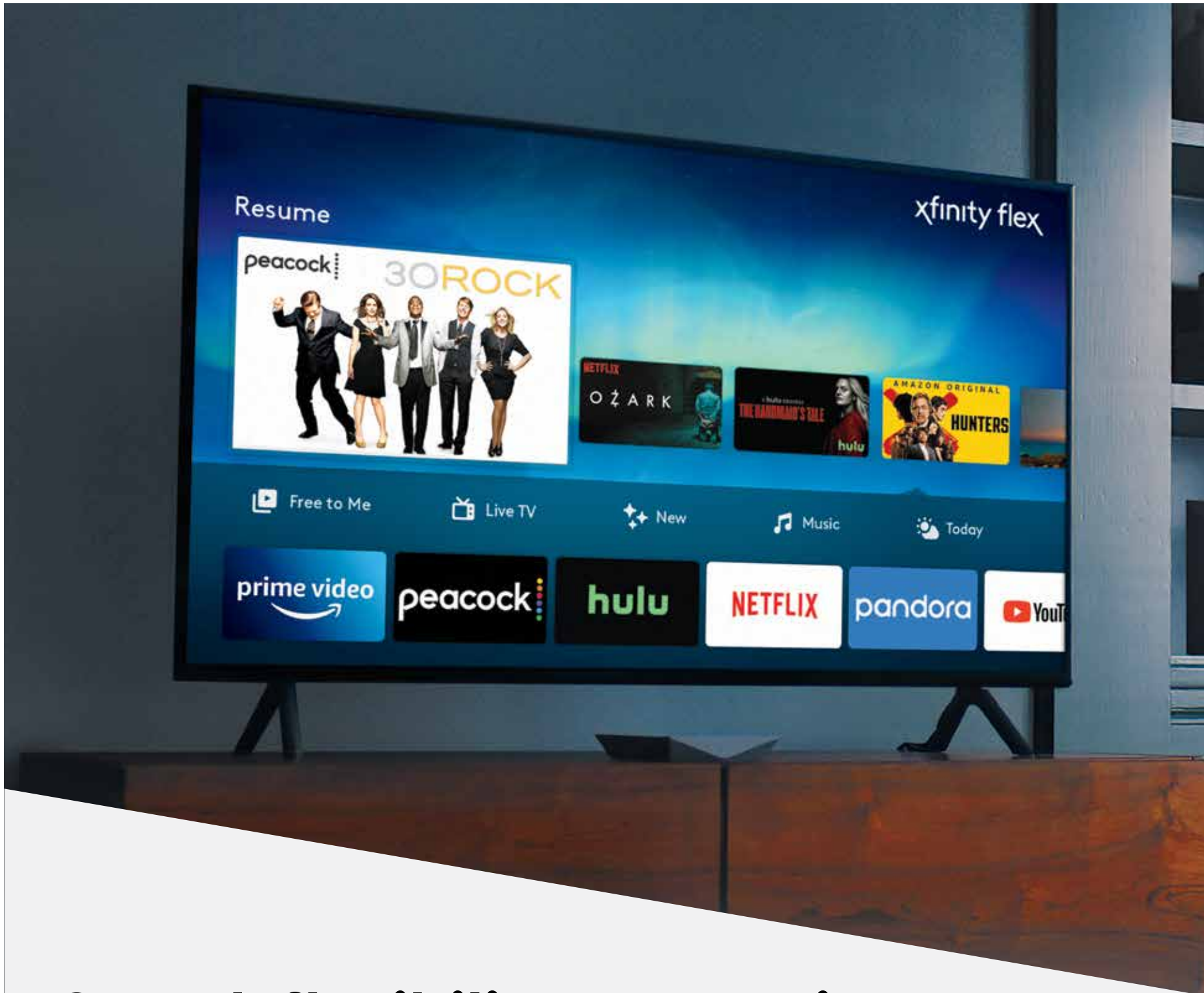
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